

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 205

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Overrides Governor's line-item veto reducing an appropriation for Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired in the Department of Human Services.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION** overriding a line-item veto reducing
2 an appropriation for Commission for the Blind and Visually
3 Impaired in the Department of Human Services.

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5 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey (the*
6 *General Assembly concurring):*

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8 1. That the following appropriation on pages 126 and 127 of
9 Senate Bill No. 4000 of 2011 (P.L.2011, c.85) which was the
10 subject of objection by the Governor in the Governor's veto
11 statement of June 30, 2011, be restored to law as follows, the
12 objection thereto of the Governor notwithstanding:

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14 **54 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**
15 *30 Educational, Cultural, and Intellectual Development*
16 *33 Supplemental Education and Training Programs*
17 *7560 Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired*

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19 **DIRECT STATE SERVICES**

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21 11-7560 Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired \$1,500,000

22 *Direct State Services:*

23 Personal Services:
24 Salaries and Wages (\$1,500,000)

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26 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution
27 be delivered to the Governor, the State Treasurer and Commissioner
28 of the Department of Human Services.

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31 **STATEMENT**

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33 This resolution overrides a line-item veto of a reduction of an
34 appropriation in the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2012
35 that was reduced by the Governor's line-item veto. The reduction of
36 \$1,500,000 in the appropriation of \$10,619,000 for Salaries and
37 Wages for the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired in
38 the Department of Human Services will impact the ability of
39 salaried employees of the Commission to provide services in the
40 areas of education, employment, independence and eye health for
41 persons who are blind or visually impaired. Specifically the
42 restoration of the reduction in the appropriation will prevent a
43 reduction in the number of teachers employed by the Commission.
44 The Commission recognizes three core priorities in carrying out this
45 mission, which are (1) providing specialized services to persons
46 with vision problems, (2) educating and working in the community
47 to reduce the incidence of vision loss and (3) improving attitudes
48 concerning people with vision loss. CBVI works to provide or

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- 1 ensure access to services that will enable consumers to obtain their
- 2 fullest measure of self-reliance and quality of life.